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10/530,013	10/04/2005	Frank Muller	36731-000061/US	7862

TITLE OF INVENTION: ELECTROCUTION ANIMAL TRAP WITH A SENDER

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Application No.: 10/530,013      Group Art Unit: 7862  
Filing Date: October 4, 2005      Examiner: Darren W. Ark  
Applicant: Frank Muller et al.  
Title: ELECTROCUTION ANIMAL TRAP WITH A SENDER  
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**COMMENTS ON THE EXAMINER'S  
STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Sir:

In reply to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, provided with the Notice of Allowance dated January 5, 2009, Applicants submit the following comments.

The Examiner offers several reasons why the claims of the present application are allowable over the prior art of record. Although Applicants agree that the various claimed limitations mentioned in the claims are not taught or suggested by the prior art taken either singly or in combination, Applicants wish to emphasize that it is each claim, taken as a whole, including the interrelationships and interconnections between various claimed elements which is allowable over the prior art of record.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact John A. Castellano, Reg. No. 35,094 at the telephone number of the undersigned below.

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